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FOR:	Alternating Phase Shift)		
	Mask Design for High)		
	Performance Circuitry)		

STATUS INQUIRY REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the subject application. To date, no office action has been received since the filing of the application on January 28, 2004. Upon checking the December 6, 2005, Volume 1301 Number 1 of the Electronic Official Gazette for Patents, we find that the average filing date of applications receiving a first office action in the last three months is July 2, 2004.

A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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